

HOUSE VOTES FOR
SALARY INCREASE

ice President, Speaker and Members of Cabinet to Get \$12,000 a Year.

PASSED BY A LARGE VOTE

MEMBERS OF LOWER HOUSE, HOWEVER, TURN DOWN BILL TO INCREASE THEIR PAY AND THAT OF THE SENATORS.

[Publishers' Press.] Washington, Dec. 14.—The House of representatives today, after voting to increase the salaries of the Vice-president, the speaker of the House and cabinet members to \$12,000, refused a vote of 188 to 106 to increase their own salaries and those of senators to \$5,000.

Mr. Littauer, (Rep. N. Y.), introduced the original amendment, which was the legislation appropriation bill. It later accepted the amendment on Mr. Butler, (Rep. Pa.), that the increase take effect March 4, 1909. Mr. ms, (Dem. Tenn.), wanted March 4, 1907 as the date, but withdrew the suggestion after a volume of debate. In defense of his amendment, Mr. Littauer pointed to the increase of the salary of the President of a national baseball league to \$15,000.

Mr. Clark, (Dem. Fla.) said "Every one of you fellows who are voting against this are hoping to God that it will pass. Answer the great daily newspapers which say we have not the courage to pass this amendment."

Increase Diminishes Honor. Mr. Boutwell, (Rep. Ills.) said an increase in salary diminished the honor serving in the House.

Mr. Sullivan, (Dem. Mass.) said at mediocrity was found as long as salaries were low and he feared this was the reason why a large class in closing the debate, John Wesley Jones, (Dem. Tenn.) called attention to George Washington voting \$25,000 his salary.

"Am I better than the Father of my country," he inquired.

A rising vote showed 135 in favor of the amendment and 161 against it. It the roll call changed the vote to 6 to 188.

After the salary vote the House passed the legislative appropriation bill.

Webster the Lone Republican.

Mr. Webster of Ohio, who was the only republican to vote against the increase in the salary of the cabinet members to \$12,000. The vote was 4 to 51, in favor of the increase.

A joint resolution was passed directing the city of St. Paul to turn money for the construction of a bridge at Fort Snelling, Minn., to the secretary of war, to be expended by him for that purpose. Another resolution was passed requiring Washington and Westmoreland counties, Pennsylvania, to construct a bridge across the Monongahela river within one year from February 21, 1907.

A bill was passed providing for the pension of time within which the pensioned settlers may establish their residence within the land formerly in the new Indian reservation.

VILLAGE FOR EPILEPTICS

WILL BE A GREAT BENEFIT

mos W. Butler Discusses Conditions in State—Many Patients Now in Private Houses and in a Pitiful State.

In commenting on the village for epileptics to be built near New Castle, mos W. Butler, secretary of the board of State Charities, said today at there are 920 epileptics in the state and county institutions of Indiana—307 in the hospitals for the insane, 305 in the School for Feeble-minded Youth, and 248 in the county almshouses. There are, in addition, 4 w epileptics in the county jails, of whom no figures are available. The number probably is less than ten.

"Of the whole number of epileptics, 10 are males and 440 females," said Mr. Butler. "Four hundred and twenty-seven are insane, 420 feeble-minded and 73 have no marked mental deficiency. Classified by ages, 74 are under sixteen years of age, 624 between sixteen and forty-five years and 2 are forty-five years and over."

"How many epileptics there are in their homes or under the care of friends or relatives it is impossible this time to tell. The number is probably several times greater than at cared for at public expense. Their condition is pitiable. In many the homes they are being retained a great sacrifice to their relatives at great injustice to the epileptics themselves, who can have there none the privileges of life, to say nothing of their own class they could get such enjoyment out of life and be, in way, useful citizens."

Aubrey Hawkins Secretary.

Aubrey Hawkins formerly of this city who is now in Indiana University, has been elected Secretary and treasurer of the press Club of that institution.

MARY E. GASTON IS DEAD
WAS SEVENTY SIX YEARS

One of the Oldest and Best Known Residents of City Passed Away Last Night at her Home on South Seventh Street.

Mary E. Gaston of 123 South 7th street, who has been a resident of Richmond for about fifty years, died at her home last night of heart trouble. She was seventy six years of age.

Mrs. Gaston was born in Oldwindom, Conn., and later removed to Cincinnati with her parents. She came here fifty years ago and while a resident of this city was married to Isaac N. Gaston.

Mrs. Gaston has been almost a lifelong member of the Episcopal church. She is survived by three children they being, Miss Laura Gaston of this city, W. W. Gaston of Indianapolis and Mrs. A. L. Matchette of Cincinnati. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

FRAUD CHARGES DENIED

Bicycle Race Management Declares Walthour and Bedell are Getting Square Deal.

[Publishers' Press.] New York, Dec. 14.—With thirty detectives accompanying him, Deputy Commissioner Mathot spent almost the whole day in the Madison Square Garden, making a tour of the arena for the purpose of proving or disproving the published stories of numerous pickpockets "frisking" the crowds of valuable.

"Pa" Powers indignantly denied stories of fraud circulated in connection with accidents occurring every time either Walthour or Bedell managed to gain the lost lap which they were penalized when they formed a new team. Powers declared the race is being run under the auspices of the national cycling association and the judges were selected for their probity and impartiality.

WILL DEMAND THE OFFICE

Defeated Candidate Says Opponent Owned no Real Estate, Which is Necessary.

New Castle, Ind., Dec. 14, (Spl.)—John M. Clawson, who was a candidate for county assessor on the Citizens ticket at the last election, contends that Jesse Bell, the successful Republican candidate, is not eligible to the office. The law requires that a county assessor must have been a real estate holder for four years prior to his taking the office. It is on this point that Clawson proposes to make a fight for the office, as a search of the records fails to show that Bell has owned any real estate for the time required by law.

A few days after the Republican convention in January last a deed was made and filed in the county recorder's office whereby Leydia Bell a sister of the Republican candidate for assessor, conveyed to Jesse Bell a strip of ground containing about one-third of an acre. This land is entered for taxation at close to \$10. There is, however, real estate on the records in the name of his wife, Emma Bell.

Same Name, But Not Same Work.



JEFFERSON DAVIS, WHO WILL BE CHOSEN SENATOR.

One of the new senators after March 4 will be Jefferson Davis of Arkansas. Mr. Davis defeated Senator James H. Berry at the primaries last spring after a remarkable campaign. He is a man of unique personality. Three times he has been elected governor of Arkansas. His campaign methods attracted wide attention. Mr. Davis by his election to the senate will achieve the ambition which he expressed seven years ago when he was attorney general of Arkansas. "I am going to run for governor of Arkansas," he said, "and be elected. Then I am going to run for the United States senate and be elected."

CARDINAL RICHARD
AWAITS EXPULSION

Aged Prelate Must Give Up Episcopal House, Under French Law.

DRASTIC ACTION LATER

CABINET IS PREPARING MEASURES FOR GOVERNMENT'S GUIDANCE—REPORT SOCIETIES HAVE RIFLES DISCREDITED.

Paris, Dec. 14.—The first day of the regime of the separation of the church and state law passed without grave disorders, public interest in the continuation of the struggle is visibly flagging. It is apparent that resistance of the clergy will be purely passive, and that there is no prospect of religious passions being aroused, unless the churches are closed. The government therefore is resting on its oars, and will continue to do so until parliament authorizes drastic measures the cabinet is preparing. In the meantime in this city, except in the churches where legal applications were filed, the police again took notes of infractions of the law at the morning masses.

Cardinal Richard is awaiting expulsion from the episcopal mansion. The government, however, desires to avoid even the appearance of force in the case of the aged prelate, who is in bad health, and is postponing action in the hope that he will depart in a few days of his own volition. The Action, a Socialist organ, made an attack on the government, calling attention to the alleged fact that the Catholic gymnastic societies had numbers of rifles. There is not the slightest evidence, however, that armed resistance is contemplated.

MAY LOSE LITTLE FINGER

William Tuterow is Recovering Slowly From Effects of Electric Light Burns.

William Tuterow, one of the valued employees of the municipal light plant who was seriously injured and miraculously escaped death as the result of an electric shock, three weeks ago, is recovering slowly from his injuries but it will be a long period before he will be able to resume his duties for the city.

Tuterow's experience with a live wire came while he was in the act of repairing a street lamp. In addition to being rendered unconscious for a brief time, both his hands and arms were frightfully burned. At the present time the deep burns are healing fairly well, but the little finger of the left hand will have to be amputated. The attending surgeon is making an effort to save the entire palm of the left hand, though it is possible that a part of it will have to be cut away. Tuterow is bearing his troubles in a philosophic way. "Everytime I think of the accident," he said, "I congratulate myself that I am alive."

Mr. and Mrs. George Green arrived in the city last night to visit Mr. Green's parents on North 9th street.

THE WEATHER PROPHET.

INDIANA—Fair, decidedly colder Saturday; Sunday fair; fresh northwest winds.

OHIO—Fair and decidedly colder Saturday except snow and rain along the lake. Sunday fair, colder; fresh to brisk northwest winds.

CIRCULATION STATEMENT

Dec. 14 ... 4,003

Nov. 14 ... 3,722

A month or so ago we ventured the prediction that the circulation of the Palladium would be 4,000 by the first of the year. Our prediction has been fulfilled before the time we set, as the circulation of the Palladium yesterday was 4,003. The first of last January when we took charge of the Palladium, the circulation was 411. In just one year's time the circulation has increased to almost ten times that amount. Seven issues each week for seven cents, and the best newspaper in Richmond, will keep our circulation on the increase.

GOT \$100 FOR EACH BITE

Damages Aggregating \$400 Awarded Man Who Was Bitten by Bull-dog at Marion.

Marion, Ind., Dec. 14, (Spl.)—The Warren dog case, which has attracted much attention in Huntington county, was decided in the Grant Circuit court today, when the jury awarded Davis Kaufman \$400 damages from Jesse S. Gordon for injuries received by being bitten by Gordon's bulldog.

The affidavits showed that the plaintiff has four scars as the result of the dog's bites, and damages were awarded at the rate of \$100 a scar. The case came here from the Huntington Circuit court on a change of venue.

A VISIT TO EASTHAVEN

Board of Trustees for Indiana Soldiers' Home Guests of Dr. Smith Yesterday.

In order that some of the many splendid institutional features of the Eastern Hospital for the Insane might be embodied in the improvements that are to be made at the Indiana Soldiers' Home at Lafayette, the board of trustees of the last named institution came to Richmond yesterday and made an inspection of the Eastern Hospital for the Insane. The cold storage plant was especially interesting to the visitors, and it probably represents the highest degree of perfection possible. Unquestionably it is the model cold storage plant in any Indiana State institution. The visitors included W. S. Haggard, of Lafayette, formerly lieutenant governor of Indiana; Capt. Fuller, of Peru; Carl Scott of Indianapolis, and Senator Ranier, of Bluffton. Dr. and Mrs. S. E. Smith entertained the delegation at luncheon and last evening the visitors departed.

MAJORITY FAVOR REVISION

Congressman Watson Heartily in Favor of Changing Indiana's Constitution.

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 14, (Spl.)—In reply to the Herald's request for opinions on the proposal to call a convention for the revision of the constitution of Indiana, letters have been received from forty-one lawyers, thirty-eight of whom favor calling the convention.

James E. Watson, who represents the Sixth district in Congress, said: "The best way to tell whether or not we need a new constitution is to read the old one. Any one who does that certainly will be convinced that the old one is obsolete and that a new one is required. Of course, the old one can only be amended in accordance with its own provisions, and not otherwise, but I have been of the opinion, for some time that that could be done. The reasons for this are set out in your editorial in an admirable way and I need not add thereto. They are as numerous as they are evident."

Three for Second Degree.

Elmer Kreimefer, Frank Schuman and Leslie Johnson were initiated into the mysteries of the second degree of Pythianism at the meeting of the Triumph Lodge of K. of P. held last night in the Pythian Temple. The same men will take the third degree at the regular meeting of the lodge next Friday night.

A Fine Dividend.

Hugh Allen, administrator of the estate of John Bowman will in the course of a few days make his final settlement of the trust and it is expected that about \$13,000 will go to Receiver Spekenhiser for the benefit of the creditors of the Commercial bank. This with funds that the receiver already has on hands will likely enable him to declare a final dividend of 15 per cent.

GOVERNOR TAKES
HAND IN FIGHT

Exposes Scheme of New York Life to Secure Policy Holders' Proxies

A STATEMENT IS ISSUED

WORK OF ONE, WALKER, OF EVANSVILLE, IS MADE PUBLIC, HE BEING A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMPANY.

[Publishers' Press.] Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 14.—Governor Hanly has taken a hand in the fight for the control of the New York Life Insurance Company, that will end next Tuesday, when the voting on the two tickets for the directorate will end. He has issued a statement calling attention to a letter that is being sent out to the policy holders of this company, by James T. Walker, of Evansville, asking that the policy holders give to him their proxies. The letter does not state for whom these proxies are to be voted, but the Governor in his statement, shows that they are to be voted for the administration ticket.

It seems, too, that letters have been sent out by one of the grand officers of one of the large secret fraternal orders, these letters having been sent out over the signature of this man in his official capacity. It is understood that he has stopped this, however, and has repudiated the letter. The Governor's statement follows:

Scheme of New York Life. "The following letter is being sent out by the New York Life Insurance management, over the name of one James T. Walker, of Evansville, Ind.; Ind.:

December 11, 1906. Dear Sir—I have decided as a policy holder of the New York Life Insurance Company, to go to New York and be present at the election.

It occurs to me that a great many fellow policy holders hereabout cannot go to New York, but might like to be represented by a neighbor.

If you have not voted, and would care to have me represent you, just sign and date the inclosed proxy and mail it to me in the inclosed envelop at once, so as to reach me in time. Very truly yours,

JAMES T. WALKER.

"The letter is printed by the New York Life. The stationery upon which it is printed is furnished by the New York Life. The postage that carries it is paid for by the New York Life. Mr. Walker is the representative of the New York Life. A proxy sent to Mr. Walker will be voted by him for the administration ticket. This fact, however, is carefully concealed. No one can learn his relations to the company from the context of the letter. It was not intended that any one should know that relation. It is proper and just, however, that all policy holders should know these facts, and I feel it my duty to give them to the public and to call the attention of policy holders thereto. There are only two or three days remaining in which policy holders may vote. With them it is now or never. No proxy should be issued to any man. There is no occasion for it. Every policy holder may vote directly by mail himself. He needs no go-between."

FIX THE HOLIDAY RATE

Railroads in Central Passenger Association Will Charge Two Cents Per Mile.

Richmond people who will spend the holidays or any part of them out of the city will get the benefit of Special rates.

The roads in the Central Passenger Association have agreed upon the granting of a rate of 2 cents a mile throughout the territory for the Christmas holidays. The official circular issued yesterday explains how these tickets are to be issued. The ticket agent will use the fares in effect prior to March 10, this year, which were, of course, based on 3 cents a mile. The round trip rate will be therefore, one and one-third of the old one-way fare, which practically amounts to 2 cents a mile in each direction. The rates for this Christmas will be the same as those a year ago.

WON BY A SMALL MARGIN

Richmond High School Basketball Team Defeated Connersville by Score of 31 to 30.

The Richmond high school basketball team had a narrow escape last night in its game at Connersville. Although the local lads easily defeated the Fayette County boys in the Garfield gym not long since the score last night was but one point in their favor, being 31 to 30. The boys remained at Connersville last night and will return home today.

WILL OPEN FEED STORE
PLANS OF OMAR WHELAN

Former City Controller Will Start in Business on North 9th Street in a Prominent Location Within a Few Weeks.

Omar Whelan, former city controller has decided to open a feed store in a prominent location on North 9th street. Mr. Whelan hopes to be able to begin business by the middle of January. He plans to handle horse feed of all kinds and in addition to carry a full line of seeds. The location he feels is an admirable one. He has secured the large barn in the rear of the Waldorf saloon and will use it for hay, straw and such.

Mr. Whelan is well and favorably known and has an especially extensive acquaintance among horsemen of Richmond and the vicinity. That his venture will be a successful one there is little doubt.

FREIGHT RATES SLASHED

Railroad Commission Yesterday Handed Down Decision Unfavorable to the Vandallia.

[Publishers' Press.] Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 14.—The Railroad Commission did things today. The commission handed down its decision in the case of Schnull & Co., wholesale grocers, of this city, against the Vandallia railroad, in which case the petitioners complained against the freight rates on all commodities between this city and Terre Haute.

The decision slashed all present rates between Indianapolis and Terre Haute, making material reductions on all the six official classifications. The commission decided this case once before, making a reduction in the then existing rates, but consented to rehear the case on the petition of both parties.

In the first decision the relation between rates from different points was not taken into account. Today's decision is more logical in taking the matter of relative rates into account, and by the decision a rate is prescribed on each of the six classifications for each station between this city and Terre Haute. The decision contains an entirely new tariff schedule. It was handed down by Commissioner McAdams.

SUPT. MOTT IS HONORED

Named on Committee Which Inspects the Indiana State Normal at Terre Haute.

At the closing of the State Board of Education held in Indianapolis yesterday, T. A. Mott, superintendent of the Richmond schools, was named as one of three prominent educators in the state whose duty it is to inspect the Indiana State Normal school at Terre Haute, as regards to work done and condition of the school. All reports by the committee on which he will serve will be handed into the State Board of Education.

The other men serving on the committee are President Brown of Valparaiso Normal College and M. McTurnan, Assistant State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

2 FINGERS "FRIZZED" OFF

Factory Employee Did Not Profit by First Lesson and Loses a Second Finger.

New Castle, Ind., Dec. 14, (Spl.)—While he was carrying his hand in bandages as the result of an accident last Tuesday, whereby he lost a finger in a "frizzing" machine, Edgar Smith, an employee of the Hoosier Manufacturing Company, suffered the loss of another finger in the same way. Smith was laying off duty on account of his first injury, and was at the factory to show another man how the machine was operated. In doing so his hand was drawn into the machine and he lost another finger.

Will Speak at Franklin.

Pres. R. L. Kelly of Earlham, will leave today for Franklin, Pa., where he will speak before the teachers' institute which will be held there next week. President Kelly returned from Indianapolis yesterday where he attended the meeting of the State Board of Education.

Shipment to Portland, Ore.

Cambridge City, Dec. 14, (Spl.)—The Standard Manufacturing Co. shipped a car of the famous Spiceland Chairs which are manufactured in this city, to Portland, Ore., today. These chairs are now being shipped to all parts of the world, consignments having been made recently to Brazil, in South America, and to Africa.

NO APPROPRIATION
TO DEFEND SUIT

Vote of J. C. Fulghum in County Council, was Favorable to M. M. Lacey.

PECULIAR CIRCUMSTANCES

BUT FIVE OF SEVEN COUNCILMEN WERE PRESENT AND FOUR VOTES DID NOT MAKE TWO THIRDS OF MEMBERSHIP.

The Wayne county council at its session yesterday failed to appropriate money to be devoted to the county's defense in the suit brought by Major M. M. Lacey against the county for fees arising from the listing of requested taxable property.

The sum of \$350 had been recommended as necessary and the failure of the appropriation was due to rather peculiar circumstances. There are seven members of the county council and it requires a two-thirds vote of the entire membership of the council to pass any appropriation.

At yesterday's session five of the seven members were present and it required the affirmative vote of the five to pass the appropriation in question. J. C. Fulghum, of New Garden township, cast his vote against appropriating the fund for the county's defense, holding the opinion that the claim of Major Lacey was a just and lawful one and should be met by the county.

The four members of the council who voted for the defense fund were Henry Robinson, of Richmond; Walter Commons of Centerville; George W. Cotton of Richmond and W. E. Floyd of Dublin.

Though the measure temporarily is lost, because of the lack of a legal majority, another session of the county council was called for December 21, at which date the matter will again be considered and according to the belief of most members of the council the defense fund will be appropriated. Asa Pitts and A. L. Hebble, were the absent members of the council yesterday, they being unavoidably detained.

Even though the council should fail to appropriate money for the defense in the Lacey suit, this would not mean that the case would be lost by default, for the county attorney would appear. The fund proposed is for expenses incident to the case and for the employment of an additional attorney. The case will be heard soon in the Randolph county court. There are some who still cling to the opinion that Major Lacey's claim is legal and that the court's finally will pass upon it in his favor. It is understood that Major Lacey has prepared to make a hard fight to sustain his position in the legal controversy.

HIGH GRADE DEMANDED

SIGNIFICANT TRADE SIGN

Bradstreet's Report for the Week Shows Encouraging Conditions in Business Generally—Wages Still Being Advanced.

New York, Dec. 14.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

Holiday trade, now in full swing, attracts most attention. Business, which is of enormous proportions, bids fair to eclipse previous records, a significant feature being the demand for high grade goods. In other respects retail trade is irregular, good in sections favored by cold weather but backward in the northwest and parts of the south, where mild weather has restricted demand for heavy weight wearing apparel. Business in jobbing and wholesale lines displays a slight falling off, but only by contrast with the activity prevailing early in the season, the point being raised that trade is more than seasonably active, especially in dry goods. Filling in orders are of fair proportions and demand on spring account is cropping up in a satisfactory way, best reports coming from the southwest.

Industrial lines were never so active and the labor situation so far as grievances are concerned, seems to have improved. Wages are still being advanced and the supply of help still continues scarce, though the season for the comparative suspension of outdoor activities is approaching. Car shortages still prevail and it is alleged that the railways are diverting rolling stock from grain to other higher revenue paying freight. Railway gross earnings in November advanced only 4.8 per cent over the same month in 1905, but in that period traffic was exceptionally heavy and earnings increased 8.1 per cent over November 1904, when the gain over the like month in 1903 was 9.9 per cent. Money is in active demand, banks are closely loaned up, and rates are high, except at the southwest where country banks appear to be plentifully supplied, the result of being a good demand for commercial paper from such interior points.